

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

To produce a carbonized product used for producing activated carbon for an electrode of an electric double-layer capacitor, a condensed polycyclic aromatic pitch having an optical anisotropic rate  $O_a$  in a range of  $1 \% \leq O_a \leq 90 \%$  and a softening point  $T_s$  in a range of  $140^{\circ}\text{C} \leq T_s \leq 260^{\circ}\text{C}$  is subjected to an oxygen crosslinking treatment at a heating temperature  $T_h$  set at  $T_h < 260^{\circ}\text{C}$  to provide an organic material for a carbonized product having a light component content  $L$  equal to or higher than 14.5 % by weight, and the organic material is subjected to a carbonizing treatment at a temperature-raising rate  $R_t$  set at  $R_t \geq 500^{\circ}\text{C/hr}$  and at a heating temperature  $T_h$  set in a range of  $600^{\circ}\text{C} \leq T_h \leq 1,000^{\circ}\text{C}$  for a heating time  $t$  set at  $t \leq 2 \text{ hr.}$